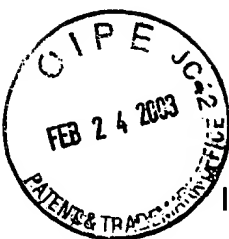


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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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February 19, 2003

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2002. Please amend the application as indicated below and consider the remarks that follow. Attached are a "clean" version of all the pending claims including the amendments made herein, as well as a marked up version of the claims.

This Response is filed within five months of the mailing date of the Office Action. Therefore, two extensions of time are believed to be required. After this amendment there are 44 total number of claims (44 were previously filed) of which 6 are independent (6 were previously filed). Therefore, no fee is enclosed for net addition of claims. If, however, any additional fee is due, please debit Deposit Account Number 50-1513.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231 on the date indicated below.

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